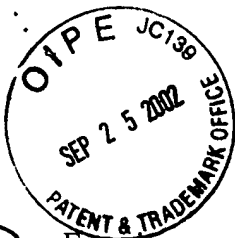


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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on September 16, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the paragraph starting at page 10, line 15:

The belt 350 is preferably of urethane (the same material as most skate wheels) because of its toughness and abrasion resistance. Urethane belts of the type illustrated in Fig. 3 are made as timing belts in a variety of sizes, with steel braid or aromatic polyamide such as KEVLAR fabric reinforcement; they are available from BRECOflex Co., LLC, of Eatontown, NJ. The belt 350 has indentations 352 that engage gear teeth when it is used as a timing belt.

IN THE CLAIMS

17. (Once Amended) The skate braking mechanism according to claim 2, wherein the brake comprises a brake shoe that is pivoted to rotate about an axle of a first wheel, so as to bear against a second wheel.